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*Answered  
10-7-17*

Mrs N Diedrich  
108 Glenwood Av.  
Joliet, Ill.

If not delivered in Ten days return to

*W. Duedrich*

*Co 27*

*Jefferson Barracks Mo*

**ARMY AND NAVY DEPARTMENT  
THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF  
YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATIONS  
(IN THE FIELD)**

GENERAL OFFICE

124 EAST 28TH STREET, NEW YORK, U. S. A.





NATIONAL WAR WORK COUNCIL

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YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATIONS

"WITH THE COLORS"



Oct. 4,

1917

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close with love to you both

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"Wu"

P.S. Address all letters (vrs)

27 Company

Jefferson Barracks Mo.

[[Nick Dante 9/16/15]]

[Diedrich Correspondence #11]

[[Page 1-Envelope-Front]]

[[image- Flying American Flag]]

[[image – red U.S. postage 2 cents stamp of  
President Washington facing left,  
damaged on right side]]

[[image – black stamp ST LOUIS, MO;  
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